

Marijuana Policy Review Panel Meeting Minutes

Monday, March 2, 2005 - City Hall, Room 370 - 5:40-6:55 p.m.

Present: Members - *Holcomb, Nyrop, Rasmussen, Stark*
Staff - *Lehocka-Howell, Brown*
Absent: Members - *Carr, Cunningham, Holden, Kigvamasudvasht, Licata, Mochizuki, Satterberg*

Motion was made, duly seconded and carried, to approve the minutes from December 13, 2004 meeting, as amended.

Review of Holcomb and Cunningham's Report

Holcomb and *Cunningham* started to analyze King County cases from April through September 2004. They have analyzed four cases, which is approximately a third of the total cases. Choosing the categories to be analyzed was one of the most time consuming aspect of their project. It was also a subject of many questions asked by the panel.

The number of marijuana related cases in 2004 was so low that it will make data analyses challenging. The panel may have to choose alternative types of analyses, such as comparing data from different years and/or using drug related school reports and health reports. Suggested outline of the report includes executive summary, background, methodology, results, a conclusion -the initiative is/is not working, and an appendix.

Holcomb and *Cunningham* will finish adding the rest of the available cases to their report.

Update and Review of Any Data That Has Been Collected

The panel has reviewed two sets of reports.

Howell will follow up with *Satterberg* to find out if more cases are available.

Public Comment Period

The panel members answered question of why the I-75 panel was originally set up.

Proposed Future Agenda Items

Report by *Holcomb* and *Cunningham*.

General outline for proposal -presented by *Holcomb*.

Review of Recent Drug Abuse Trends in the Seattle-King County Area. *Howell* will get the report from the County.

Nyrop will report on Alcohol and Drug Abuse Institute's grant requirements.

Next Meeting

June 16, 2005, from 5:30-7 p.m. in City Hall, Room 370